GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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FTA BETWEEN INDIA AND TURKEY
Jindal Shri Naveen

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Turkey has shown interest in signing Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with India for increasing bilateral trade, as reported in The Indian Express dated 24th March, 2008;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government to this proposal; and

(c) the benefits which are likely to accrue to the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

a) Yes, Sir.

b) & c): No decision has been taken by the Government on the proposal by Turkey to initiate negotiations for a bilateral Free Trade Agreement.